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**PATENT
36856.692****IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: Yasuhiro TANAKA	
Serial No.: 09/931,685	
Filed: August 16, 2001	Art Unit: 2817
Title: CENTER ELECTRODE ASSEMBLY AND MANUFACTURING METHOD THEREFOR, NONRECIPROCAL CIRCUIT DEVICE AND COMMUNICATION APPARATUS USING THE SAME	Examiner: S. Jones

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated January 8, 2004, please amend the
above-identified application as follows:

- ☐ Amendments to the Specification begin on page of this paper.
- ☒ Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of the claims which
begins on page 2 of this paper.
- ☐ Amendments to the Drawings begin on page of this paper and include
an attached replacement sheet. An Appendix including the amended drawing figures
is attached following page of this paper.
- ☒ Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.

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